

## CHAPTER 130.

**An act for the protection of trout and other fish in Banner Elk, Watauga county.***The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for the owner of any steam saw-mill to permit saw-dust from his mill to flow into Banner Elk.

Unlawful to allow saw dust to flow into Banner Elk.

SEC. 2. That any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, or both at the discretion of the Court.

Misdemeanor. Penalty.

SEC. 3. That this act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 23d day of February, A. D. 1897.

## CHAPTER 131.

**An act to give deputy clerks of the superior courts the power to probate deeds and conveyances.***The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

SECTION 1. That the Deputy Clerks of the several Superior Courts are authorized and empowered to take the probate of deeds and conveyances, and the privy examination of married women, and of all other contracts and writings required by law to be registered in all cases and with the like effect, when the power to take such probate and privy examination is conferred upon Superior Court Clerks, and shall receive the same fees for such services by him rendered as are provided by law to the clerks of the superior court for similar services, which shall be paid to the clerk of said courts.

Deputies of Superior Court clerks authorized to take probates and privy examination.

SEC. 2. That all probates and orders of registration made by, and taken before any Deputy Clerk of any Superior Court Clerk, and valid in form and substance, shall be valid and effectual, and all deeds, mortgages or other instruments requiring registration, shall be valid for all purposes and to all extent, as if the probate thereof, and order thereon, had been taken before and made by the clerk of the superior court.

Probates and orders of registration by deputy clerks valid.

SEC. 3. The clerks of the superior courts shall be held responsible in all respects for the acts of their deputies, as authorized by this act ; and the deputies shall be subject in all respects to all the laws which apply to the clerk.

Clerks responsible for acts of deputies.